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My dear Mr. Prime Minister:

This letter will be handed to you by [redacted]  
[redacted] with whom you are already well acquainted.

I am most happy to have this opportunity to extend to you my personal congratulations [redacted] and would also like to express my gratification concerning the conversations which you have already held with [redacted]. There is every indication that representatives of this Agency will be able to work in cooperation with appropriate officials of your Government in furtherance of our mutual aims and, particularly, in our common effort to withstand and defeat the encroachments of the evils of atheistic Communism.

As a matter of priority, I have directed the responsible departments of this Agency to develop, with such officials as you may designate, such joint anti-Communist activities as in your opinion may further the interests [redacted] and the United States of America. Trained and experienced personnel are now being selected for this purpose from among members of my staff.

To represent me personally [redacted]  
[redacted] I have selected a senior staff officer, [redacted]

[redacted] who will have the necessary power to act in my behalf. For my own part, I ask only that this relationship, which for obvious reasons should not be widely known, be treated as a matter of confidence.

In conclusion, let me reiterate my confidence that both our countries have much to gain from an even closer cooperation in furtherance of aims, of which we have so many in common.

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Please accept my most cordial good wishes for success in the great tasks with which you are faced.

Most sincerely yours,

*[Signature]*

Allen W. Dulles  
Director

His Excellency

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